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1. A composition for coating a surface comprising (a) polyethylene oxide and (b) water.
 2. A composition for coating a surface comprising (a) about 0.1 to 10 weight percent of a water soluble ether and (b) water.
 3. The composition according to claim 1 or claim 2, further comprising (c) a surfactant.
 4. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polyethylene oxide concentration is about 0.01 to 50 weight percent.
 5. The composition according to claim 3, wherein the surfactant is an anionic surfactant.
 6. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polyethylene oxide is a high molecular weight polyethylene oxide.

7. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polyethylene oxide is of a density of about 0.5 grams/ml.
8. The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polyethylene oxide is of a molecular weight in the range of about 100,000 to 8,000,000.
9. The composition according to claim 1 or claim 2, further comprising a coloring agent.
10. The composition according to claim 1 or claim 2, further comprising a fragrancng agent.
11. The composition according to claim 1 or claim 2, further comprising an anti-microbial agent.
12. The composition according to claim 1 or claim 2, further comprising an anti-soiling agent.
13. The composition according to claim 12, wherein the anti-soiling agent is a detergent.

14. The composition according to claim 12, wherein the anti-soiling agent concentration is about 0.01 to 99.9 weight percent.

15. The composition according to claim 2, wherein the water soluble ether is one selected from the group comprising (hydroxypropyl cellulose, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, carboxymethyl hydroxyethyl cellulose, and hydroxyethyl cellulose).

16. A process of coating a surface comprising the step of: (a) applying the composition of claim 1 or claim 2 to the surface.

17. The process of claim 16, further comprising the step of: (b) drying the surface after coating step (a).

18. The process according to claim 17, wherein the drying step is conducted at about 1-250 degrees Centigrade.

19. The process according to claim 16, further comprising the step of: removing the coating by applying an aqueous solution to the coated surface.

20. The process according to claim 19, wherein the aqueous solution is water.
21. The process according to claim 20, wherein the solution is at a temperature of about less than 85 degrees Centigrade
22. The process according to claim 16 further comprising step of: applying an additional amount of the composition of claim 1 or claim 2 to the surface.
23. The process according to claim 16, wherein the surface is inanimate.
24. The process according to claim 16, wherein the surface is animate
25. The process according to claim 24, wherein the animate surface is human skin.
26. An article of manufacture comprising a surface treated with the composition of claim 1 or claim 2.